

through O) that are referred to herein. A few **additional Exhibits** are attached directly to the inventor declarations to which they pertain. Although most of Documents (A) to (J) referred to directly above are already of record in the application, for convenience they are being made available as a group.

By the Official Action of December 9, 1994, the Examiner withdrew all rejections and objections made previously. Finality of the Official Action of June 16, 1994 was also removed. A shortened statutory period of three (3) months was set for response to the non-final Action of December 9, 1994. The Examiner's Action states that it is based on Applicants' papers up to and including Paper #23, which was filed by facsimile on November 16, 1994. It seems that the Examiner did not have access to Applicants' **further facsimile submission** of November 22, 1994. A copy of that Submission is attached herewith although the arguments presented therein are discussed in the present Reply also.

Applicants amend and reply as follows.

In the Specification

Please **insert** the following text taken verbatim and unintentionally deleted from the 07/488,307 parent application (page 9, lines 16-28 thereof) into the text of the **present application at page 10, line 22 thereof**.

4' --Initial attempts to reconstruct the entire CFTR protein coding sequence in high copy number plasmids similar to those reported by Riordan et al., produced only molecules with internal rearrangements and deletions of coding sequence. Such rearrangements can result, for example, from recombination catalyzed by host